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Targeted
attack
injures 2

SHOOTING More gunplay spilled onto the streets of Calgary this weekend, sending two people to hospital in a targeted gang-related attack, according to police.

Just before 10 p.m. on Saturday, police responded to gunshots on northbound Deerfoot Trail near Calf Robe Bridge where one vehicle was shooting at an SUV carrying three people, including two females.

While the two gunshot victims are recovering in hospital with non-life threatening injuries, the level of escalating violence is very concerning, Acting Staff Sgt. Gord Eiriksson of the organized crime unit said.

"I think it's becoming apparent that if you are associating with, or are a friend or girlfriend of a gang member, you are putting yourself at risk to be shot to death," he said. "Riding in the same vehicle, sitting at the same restaurant ... you are at risk to be killed."

That warning comes as Eiriksson confirmed the people in the victim's car are known to the organized crime unit. Police are still looking for the suspects who were possibly driving a dark-coloured rental vehicle.

"This was a targeted attack. We haven't confirmed or ruled out that this may be linked to the shooting in Chinatown a couple weeks ago," he added.

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Drivers could face car tax

City ownership levy among possible revenue measures in new report

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outlining a variety of ways it could achieve "greater operational self-reliance."

One measure would be a \$30 per vehicle annual ownership levy, which could bring in \$25 million.

Ald. Joe Ceci said he'd support such a move, and the knee-jerk reaction may be to decry more user fees and demand the city live with what it already gets.

Potential revenue sources

- \$93 million, land transfer tax
- \$157 million, local general sales tax
- \$18.4 million, local accom-
- modation tax
- \$3 million, amusement tax
- \$25 million, personal vehicle ownership levy

"But I'd encourage people to keep an open mind ... If it means we can off-load costs to users directly, it's probably a good time to do it."

A vehicle-registration tax

and land-transfer tax in the City of Toronto is expected to raise about \$211 million annually for its coffers.

The report said similar taxes here would raise about

\$108 million. Victoria Calvert, a business instructor at Mount Royal College, said Calgarians should expect moves at all levels of government that will cause the cost of living to skyrocket.

"We're going to be on the hook for more of these costs as both the federal and provincial governments cut back," she said. "Keep your heads up, this is just the start."



Calgary Hitmen forward Brandon Kozun scored a first-period goal that triggered a barrage of stuffed toys to rain down on Pengrowth Saddledome ice at yesterday's 14th annual Hitmen teddy bear toss.

Bear toss brings out thousands of fans, stuffed toys

HITMEN It's OK to call Brandon Kozun rainmaker.

Just seven minutes and 47 seconds into the Calgary Hitmen's sold-out tilt with the Brandon Wheat Kings yesterday, Kozun lit the

lamp and sparked a two-minute downpour of thousands of stuffed animals at the 14th annual Petro-Canada teddy bear toss.

"A lot of kids are a little unfortunate, so it's a big

thing for our organization to do something for them," said Kozun, dodging a few straggling downward projectiles.

Last year, the club set a world record with 26,919

stuffed toys. Donald Mundrick, who along with his wife tossed four bears, hasn't missed it in a decade.

"This is when Christmas really starts," he said.

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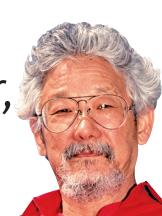
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Carbon-monoxide scare at city pool

Nine people ranging from five years of age to adult were assessed and treated at a city pool in the 1500 block of 17 Ave SE yesterday for carbon-monoxide poisoning. A 24-year-old female was taken to hospital for precautionary reasons. **METRO CALGARY**

Local



AIDS memorial at 2 p.m.

Calgary Cares Centre at AIDS Calgary is hosting a memorial for those who have passed away from AIDS in honour of World AIDS Day today. A short service will be held at the centre at No. 110 1603 10 Ave. SW at 2 p.m.

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Wishes come true for teen

GIVING Christmas came early for 14-year-old Calgarian Keegan Bruce, whose wishes came true on Friday thanks to The Children's Wish Foundation of Canada.

Bruce was born with congenital scoliosis and when asked what his one wish would be, he chose an entertainment centre.

"It was very exciting. I really like watching movies," he said.

The granted wish included the Wii game system donated by Duracell and an LCD 52-inch TV, CD player and much more donated by Sony.

Wish assistant Chantal MacLeod said the wish was as exciting for the organization.

"We don't often get to be there in person, too, so it was really special," she said.

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Homeless show their talents

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A slow-down in Alberta's oil patch dried up welder Justin Brodersen's prospects for work and landed him on the street.

A back injury did the same to Norman Saunders.

Both Brodersen and Saunders were among seven homeless artists showcasing and selling their work yesterday at the Wild Rose United Church in an effort to build a little cheer for their own Christmas.

Brodersen said the initial prospect of having his art shown in public was more than a little nerve-wracking.

"I've never been part of anything like this," said Brodersen, an aboriginal artist who draws his inspiration from the plains and sold his first piece, a grain elevator built in 1920, for \$60. "I just hoped people would like it."

There were more than 100 works of art, ranging from oil on canvas, to photo-



Norman Saunders carves away on a soapstone turtle at the Calgary Drop-In Centre's third annual art show yesterday.

tography and papier-mâché, on display at the Calgary Drop-In Centre's third annual show.

Saunders, also a welder by trade, sat hunched over a small piece of soapstone,

manually creating quite the pile of dust as he formed it into a turtle, allowing those prospective customers who mingled about to see how he actually does it.

"I had no income coming in, so for now, at least, I'll have something," said Saunders, who sold a small Brazilian soapstone turtle that took about 90 hours to complete for \$150.

News in brief

TRAGEDY The Alberta Mennonite community is reeling after news that six members of a family and a friend died in a U.S. Thanksgiving crash in Colorado. Jacob Rempel Sr., 42, his wife Susana, 40, and their 16-year-old son Jacob Jr. died with sister-in-law Susana Rempel, 30, of Willingdon and her two young sons Johan, 3, and Heinrich, 1. Family friend John Dick, 33, of Taber also died. It is suspected the driver fell asleep at the wheel. **METRO CALGARY**

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What's online today.

Watch As a mother who was stabbed to death is called a hero at [metronews.ca/canada](#).

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An Edmonton foster mother was found guilty of manslaughter in the death of a three-year-old boy in her care on Saturday. The 34-year-old woman, who cannot be identified, was charged with second-degree murder after the child died in January 2007 of brain injuries. **SOURCE: CBC NEWS ONLINE**

Canada



Arts remain strong

Arts groups across Canada are reporting strong ticket sales for the holiday season, despite fears of an economic recession. The Canadian Opera Company, Theatre Calgary and Ballet Jorgen are just a few of the organizations saying that sales are on par or stronger than previous years. Sales at the National Ballet of Canada, after taking a hit in the fall, have rebounded, with Nutcracker tickets outselling last year's show.

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Tories move up budget

Conservatives backpedal on plan as coalition talks intensify

A day of political intrigue in the nation's capital set the scene for a week that will see Stephen Harper's Conservatives fight to retain their grip on power.

Nothing short of a fresh economic statement with new measures to help Canadians cope with the current recession appears likely to dissuade federal opposition parties from defeating the Conservative minority and trying to form a coalition

Auto help

- The federal and Ontario governments have asked Ford, General Motors and Chrysler — thought to be collectively seeking between \$3 billion and \$4 billion in aid — to produce recovery plans by Friday.

government next week.

Finance Minister Jim Flaherty continued a full-scale retreat from his Nov. 27 economic statement yesterday with a promise to stimulate the economy in an early

budget he now says will be set for Jan. 27. And for the first time, he also hinted strongly that Ottawa would bail out Canada's struggling Big Three automakers.

In another reversal of the

package, Flaherty said the Conservatives will not outlaw public service strikes until 2010. On Saturday, he backed down on their plan to scrap federal subsidies for political parties.

The Liberals, NDP and BQ have been involved in closed-door talks on a coalition government to replace the Tories. The talks continued over the weekend and were reportedly going well.

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Coalition would look at 'longer term': Layton

POLITICS The New Democrats and Liberals are laying the groundwork for a coalition government that plans to be in power for a "longer term, not short term," NDP Leader Jack Layton says.

"What we really want is just to get Harper out ... it's going to be a hell of a lot better for everything we believe in," Layton told NDP MPs during a conference call Saturday.

A transcript of the call was released yesterday by the Conservatives, who were able to eavesdrop as Layton briefed his caucus.

The NDP didn't dispute the transcript, but said they are looking at pursuing legal action against those who covertly taped the meeting.

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Protest Cities for Life



An unidentified man dressed as an executioner, right, prepares to lead the Cities for Life march in Toronto yesterday. Cities for Life is an annual initiative in which cities around the world speak out against the death penalty.

Two dead after birthday-party knife attack

STABBING A birthday party in an Oshawa, Ont., townhouse erupted in violence Saturday night, leaving two adults dead and two children injured, one critically, police said.

Another man was in critical condition.

The woman who was killed was identified as Leslie Kelly. Her sons Riley, 3, and Nate, 5, were wounded in the attack.

Ricky Kelly, Leslie's husband, was also wounded in the attack.

The attacker was identified as Gino Petralia.

When police responded, Petralia confronted them and was shot dead.

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Italians are considered the most handsome men in the world, while men who are balding and aging do not necessarily lose their looks, according to an international survey on what makes men attractive. **REUTERS**

World



Homemade booze kills 12 in Iran

Twelve people in southern Iran have died after drinking homemade liquor and dozens more have been blinded or are in a serious condition, health workers in the Islamic Republic said in remarks published yesterday. Alcohol is banned in the Islamic Republic, which has enforced Islamic sharia law since its 1979 Islamic revolution. "Out of 92 who were poisoned from drinking homemade alcohol and hospitalized, 12 people died," said Farshid Abedi, head of Hormuzgan medical school.

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Attackers Pakistani: India

Tensions between neighbours threatens peace effort

The fallout from a three-day rampage that killed nearly 200 people in Mumbai threatened yesterday to unravel India's improving ties with Pakistan and prompted the resignation of India's security minister.

New Delhi said it was raising security to a "war level" and had no doubt of a Pakistani link to the attacks, which unleashed anger at the delayed response to the violence that paralyzed India's financial capital.

Officials in Islamabad have warned any escalation would force it to divert troops to the Indian border and away from a U.S.-led anti-militant campaign on the Afghan frontier.

Indian Prime Minister Manmohan Singh said he would boost and overhaul the nation's counterterrorism capabilities, an announcement which came after Federal Home Minister Shivraj Patil resigned over the attacks.



Students from different countries hold candles during a peace march in New Delhi yesterday. Hundreds of students from 25 nations participated in the march in memory of the victims of the Mumbai attacks.

"We share the hurt of the people and their sense of anger and outrage," Singh said. "Several measures are already in place ... But clearly much more needs to be done and we are determined to take all necessary measures to

overhaul the system."

Air and sea security would be increased, and India's main counter-terrorist National Security Guard would be increased in size and given more regional bases, he said.

Indian officials have said

most, if not all, of the 10 Islamist attackers who held Mumbai hostage came from Pakistan.

The tension between the nations has raised the prospect of a breakdown of peace efforts going on since 2004.

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Thai police order an end to PAD protests

PROTESTS Thai police yesterday ordered thousands of anti-government protesters to end their siege of Bangkok's airports, warning offenders would be jailed or fined.

Thousands of government supporters also rallied in the capital, their first major show of strength since the People's Alliance for Democracy (PAD) launched its "final

battle" last Monday to unseat the government.

Suvanabhumi International airport and the city's domestic hub, Don Muang, have been paralyzed since Tuesday and Thursday respectively by the sieges, stranding 100,000 tourists.

Around 200 police in riot gear were spotted yesterday, but they made no move toward the PAD barricades.

REUTERS

Obama to unveil cabinet today

POLITICS U.S. president-elect Barack Obama was set to name his national security team today, with former rival Hillary Clinton in line for secretary of state.

Former president Bill Clinton agreed to make public more than 200,000 donors to his foundation to clear his wife's path.

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News in brief

SHUTTLE The space shuttle Endeavour made a smooth landing at Edwards Air Force Base in California yesterday, returning from a mission to expand the International Space Station.

KIDNAPPING Somali security forces have arrested five men for the kidnapping this week of two journalists from Europe.

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Impulse buyers unite

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Anne Hines



dered daughter, an ex-husband and limited housekeeping skills.

What I want to confess is this. Yesterday, I ... I bought ... something.

Nothing illegal. And nothing kinky. Though I've often thought, "If God meant us to have interpersonal relationships, he wouldn't have given us batteries."

What I bought was ... a birdbath heater.

This is the latest thing in urban wild bird care.

A small electrical unit that keeps water from freezing so the birds can drink all winter.

I don't know what they did before this. Maybe went to Starbucks.

I know, we're not sup-

posed to be buying more gadgets that use electricity.

I figure I'll balance my carbon footprint by unplugging something nonessential.

Not the iPod charger or the PVR, I use those. Maybe my oven.

Also, I had an excellent reason for buying this heater. It makes me happy.

And frankly, anyone who says you can't buy happiness has never been to a really good shoe sale.

In fact I say, "Impulse buyers of the world unite." It's time to come out of the closet. If you've purchased a Bread-o-Matic or Butt Master Supreme, there's likely no room left in there for you anyway.

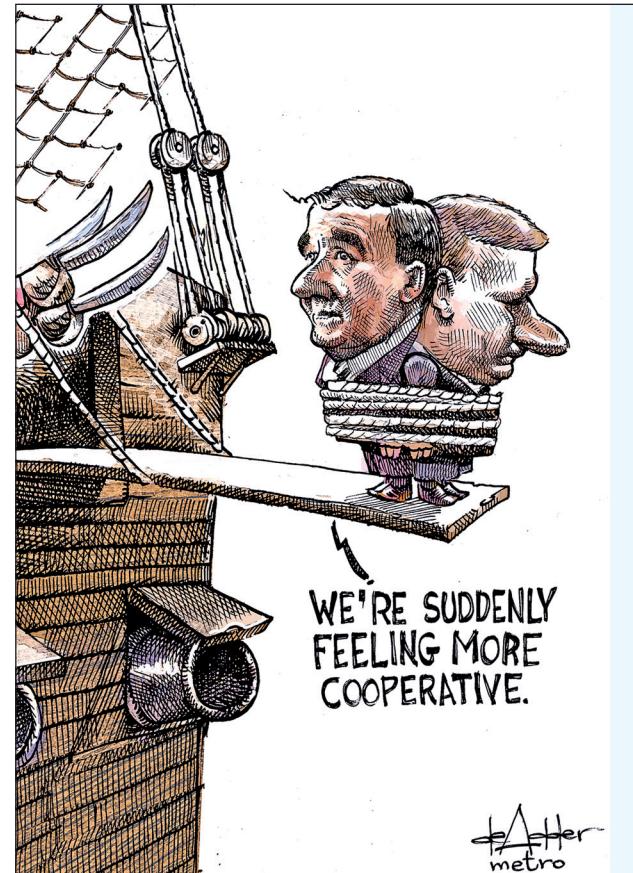
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less, frivolous item you've purchased and I'll share your story in a future column. Proudly. Without mocking. At least, not to your face.

And, let's remind those "I only buy what's on the list" shoppers that, without impulse buyers, there'd be no trashy magazines to peruse at the checkout counter.

No mini flashlight/key chain/laser printers. And, what would the world be without Chia Pets and fuzzy dice? A little less tacky, sure. But, far, far less fun. E-mail Anne at annemhines@aol.com.

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Michaelode Adder

Today, I reveal a deep dark secret. Not about being gay. I talk about that all the time.

When I first came out, I felt compelled to tell everyone. It lead to some odd conversations such as, "Well, we were discussing global warming, but that's very interesting, Anne."

I've also already owned up to having a transgen-

Views

Transit dollars make sense for a traffic-snarled Calgary

InTransit

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It's economics.

When the city decided to halt subsidizing drivers at park-and-ride lots by imposing a daily \$3 user fee, it may have encouraged

more people to hop a bus.

While successfully adding revenues of \$6 million annually for increased security, cleaner facilities and general maintenance — city hall and Calgary Transit gave the transit public exactly what it wanted.

According to Dr. David W.D. Walls, a transportation economist at the University of Calgary, pricing parking competitively downtown and subsidizing it at other locations proba-

bly makes public transit look more successful than is really the case.

But considering the LRT system needs to remain progressive, the park-and-ride user fee has arrived in due time.

The far-reaching economic functions of the fee will undoubtedly have an effect on all commuters, who will now be forced to ponder the full cost of their decisions.

Considering the vast majority of park-and-ride

users are destined for downtown, and only make up 10 per cent of the entire transit ridership, it would be difficult to conclude that any perceptible gains in traffic will occur even with the fee in place.

Walls said the imposed fee would have to be much higher.

Six million dollars a year won't create miracles, but at least more dedicated and visible security detail in and around the LRT should make patrons more comfortable using transit.

The high price of parking downtown is far more complicated than the obvious fiscal ramifications.

Where space is a premium, less traffic is better.

Revenues for an underdog transit system battling rapid growth should not be used to subsidize those choosing to contribute to our traffic dilemmas.

Infrastructure strains are already snarling traffic unnecessarily, and the user fee, although a drop in the

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Two sides of the 'pond'

The Green Guide To David Suzuki's Nature Challenge notes European pedestrian cities have less than 10 per cent of their land devoted to transportation, while North American cities devote up to 50 per cent or more of urban land to roads and parking, according to *Greeniology: How to Live Well, Be Green and Make a Difference* by Tanya Ha.

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Leadership will be crucial in coming years

ScienceMatters

David Suzuki & Dr. Faisal Moola



t's an understatement to say that we are living in interesting times. The world seems to be undergoing a profound shift. On one hand, the looming environmental and economic crises are scaring many of us; on the other, events such as the election of the first African-American president in the U.S. are giving people hope.

We shouldn't let unrealistic expectations set us up for disappointment, but at least Barack Obama seems to have recognized that new ideas are needed to resolve the problems facing the world, and to seize the opportunities the crises present.

In a speech to the Governors' climate change summit in Los Angeles on Nov. 18, the U.S. president-elect referred to climate change

as the most serious threat facing America and the world, and said, "My presidency will mark a new chapter in America's leadership on climate change that will strengthen our security and create millions of new jobs in the process."

Although Obama's proposed targets don't go far enough to reduce greenhouse-gas emissions, they are at least acknowledgement of the seriousness of the problem and represent a reversal of the Bush administration's attitude. His promise to implement a cap-and-trade system is a good step. Economists and scientists agree that putting a price on carbon emissions, through cap-and-trade and carbon taxes, is essential to combatting catastrophic global warming.

It's a shame the top two contenders for leadership of the Liberal party

in Canada have stepped away from the idea of a carbon tax, blaming it for the party's dismal showing in the October federal election. Our governing party hasn't demonstrated great leadership either. Along with the U.S., Canada has been a laggard among industrialized nations on climate policy and action, and now it looks like we could soon be the worst of the dinosaurs.

But Obama won't be sworn in until Jan. 20, and a lot is happening now. CEOs of the big three U.S. automakers — Ford, Chrysler and General Mo-

tors — recently flew to Washington in private jets to ask for a \$25-billion US bailout from taxpayers. They've been told to come up with better plans, but those plans will be consid-

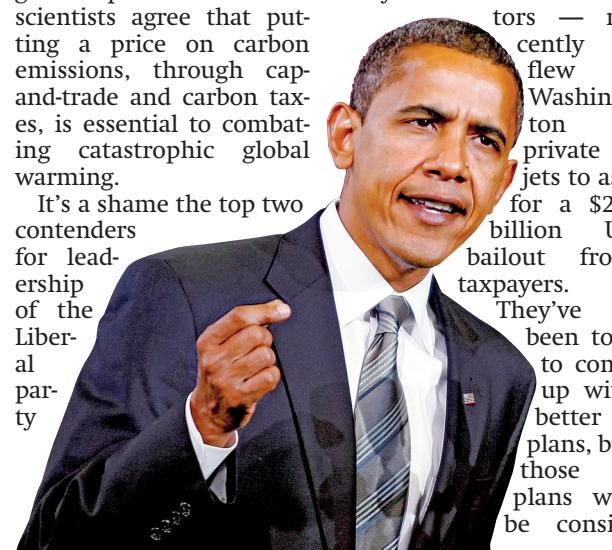
ered in early December, before Obama takes the reins. Keep in mind that current U.S. President George W. Bush overruled California's attempt to require stricter emissions standards for automobiles.

Should we have sympathy for free-market capitalists like GM vice-chair Bob Lutz, who claimed climate change is a "crock of ..." and that hybrid cars such as those made by Toyota "make no economic sense," while his company continued to produce gas-guzzlers? Meanwhile, Japanese automakers are doing OK with more fuel-efficient vehicles such as hybrids.

The U.S. and the world have a lot of catching up to do to forestall the catastrophic consequences of our outmoded economic thinking. Let's hope the new U.S. president is up to the challenge and that he helps set an example for all world leaders to follow.

Take David Suzuki's Nature Challenge and learn more at www.davidsuzuki.org.

Dr. David T. Suzuki is a Vancouver-based award-winning scientist, environmentalist and broadcaster.



Feds to consult with provinces on climate

Canada's environment minister has said the federal government would give the provinces a consultative role in any negotiations with the United States on a North American pact to cut greenhouse-gas emissions.

Jim Prentice said Canada

intended to pursue such talks with the incoming administration of U.S. president-elect Barack Obama on a national level.

Even so, he said, "There will be extensive consultation (with the provinces) before we ever sit down with the U.S. administration."

Prentice made his remarks to reporters after a climate change conference at Lake Louise, Alta.

Alberta, which is looking to safeguard the interests of the carbon-intensive oil-sands industry and other big emitters, has asked to play a direct role in any ne-

gotiation on North American climate change.

Emissions of carbon-based greenhouse gases are widely viewed as a main cause of global warming.

Prentice declined to commit to offering any province a direct role.

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Cleveland Browns quarterback Derek Anderson, who was starting in place of Brady Quinn after Quinn's season was ended due to a broken finger, sprained his left leg during yesterday's 10-6 loss to the Colts and may himself be done for the season. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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John Kucera of Calgary celebrates his silver-medal performance following the men's Super-G World Cup alpine ski race in Lake Louise yesterday.



Burress to be charged: Lawyer

The attorney for New York Giants receiver Plaxico Burress said yesterday he was advised that Burress will be charged with criminal possession of a weapon after accidentally shooting himself in the right thigh. Burress shot himself at a Manhattan nightclub Friday night and was released from a hospital early Saturday, the Giants said.

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Broncos surprise Jets

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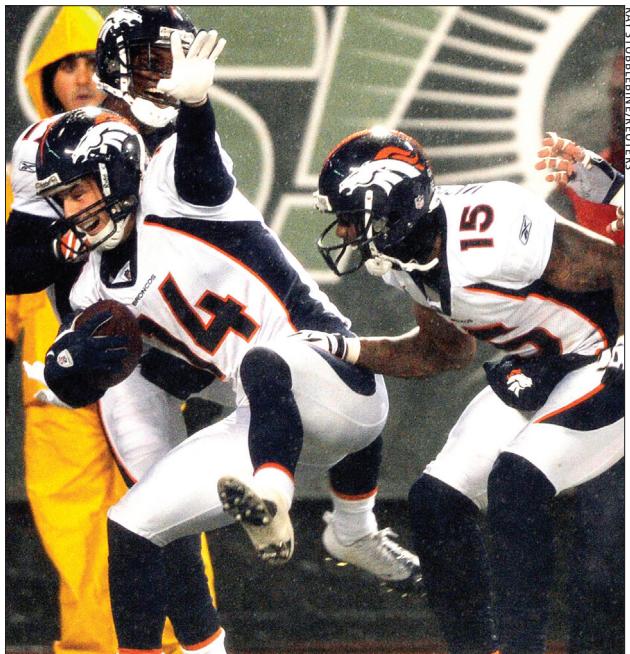
Broncos 34 N.Y. Jets 17

Jay Cutler threw for 357 yards and a touchdown, leading the Denver Broncos to an important 34-17 road victory over the New York Jets.

Cutler completed 27-of-43 passes and threw an interception for the Broncos (7-5), who, with San Diego's 22-16 loss to Atlanta, sit a comfortable three games ahead of the Chargers in the AFC West with four games to play.

Denver will be able to clinch a division title next week with a win over Kansas City coupled with a San Diego loss to Oakland.

Brett Favre was unimpressive, going 23-of-43 for 247 yards and an interception, while Dustin Keller caught seven passes for 77 yards for New York.



Brandon Stokley, left, and Brandon Marshall celebrate Stokley's touchdown reception during the fourth quarter yesterday.

N.Y. GIANTS 23 REDSKINS 7

Eli Manning threw for 305 yards, including a 40-yard touchdown to Amani Toomer, and Brandon Jacobs ran for another score, as the New York Giants defeated the Washington Redskins, 23-7, at FedEx Field.

Manning finished 21-of-34 passing and was picked off one time, while Jacobs rushed for 71 yards. Toomer caught five passes for 85 yards for the Giants (11-1), who have won seven straight games.

PANTHERS 35 PACKERS 31

DeAngelo Williams ran for four touchdowns, including the go-ahead score with 1:30 left in the game, as the Carolina Panthers

upended the Green Bay Packers 35-31.

Williams had 21 carries for 72 yards for the Panthers (9-3), who kept pace with Tampa Bay for first place in the NFC South.

Aaron Rodgers threw for 298 yards and three touchdowns on 29-of-45 completions for Green Bay (5-7), which has lost two in a row and four of five.

Elsewhere in the NFL, it was: San Francisco 10 Buffalo 3; Atlanta 22 San Diego 16; Baltimore 34 Cincinnati 3; Carolina 35 Green Bay 31; Kansas City 20 Oakland 13; Miami 16 St. Louis 12; N.Y. Giants 23 Washington 7; and Tampa Bay 23 New Orleans 20.

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Sports in brief

GOLF K.J. Choi holed an 11-foot birdie putt worth \$270,000 US on the 18th hole yesterday to win the 26th Skins Game with \$415,000. Calgary's Stephen Ames, who finished with \$250,000, missed a nine-footer that would have tied the hole

and forced the foursome including Phil Mickelson and Rocco Mediate into a playoff.

SPEEDSKATING Canadian Oliver Jean skated to gold in the men's 500m on the final day of the World Cup short-track

speedskating event in China yesterday. The men's relay team of Jean, Charles Hamelin, Francois Hamelin and Michael Gilday won the silver in the 5,000m relay. The United States won gold and China took bronze.

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Financial transparency urged at UBC
The University of British Columbia's finance department has been asked to be more transparent following the loss of \$38 million in university investments. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Workology

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Overcoming those ever-so pesky breaks in employment

EMPLOYMENT Resumé gaps raise red flags for most employers, a new survey confirms: More than nine out of 10 (93 per cent) executives polled said they'd be concerned about a candidate's fit for a position if his or her resumé showed involuntary periods of unemployment.

"In the current economy, employers are aware that people could be out of work through no fault of their own, but resumé gaps can still pose a significant obstacle for job candidates," said Dave Willmer, executive director of OfficeTeam, a leading staffing service specializing in the placement of highly skilled administrative professionals.

The survey was developed by OfficeTeam and conducted by an independent research firm. It is based on telephone interviews with 150 randomly selected senior executives at the 1,000 largest companies in the United States.

"Applicants who have lengthy periods of unemployment should focus on quantifying their achievements and emphasizing specific skills and experience," said Willmer.

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Improving business DNA

Job Trends

ROBYN YOUNG
for Metro Canada



Tough economic times call for innovation and creativity.

That's why a recession might be the perfect time to think about starting your own business, say some of the country's business leaders.

While hundreds of thousands of workers across North America lost their jobs recently, Canadian entrepreneurs from across the country convened in Toronto for Entrepreneurship Week Canada.

They shared ideas about how to further grow their businesses and more generally, how to grow the entrepreneurial spirit in Canada.

At a leadership summit hosted by Impact Entrepreneurship Group, a student-led organization for young entrepreneurs, new and experienced entrepreneurs alike said an economic downturn is just the right time to push ahead with cutting-edge ideas.

"Adversity brings out innovation, so entrepreneurship is very much a real opportunity for em-



Kunal Gupta, founder of Impact Entrepreneurship Group and president and CEO of Polar Mobile, speaks to an aspiring entrepreneur at Impact's leadership summit, an event hosted by Impact for Entrepreneurship Week Canada.

ployment," said Mark Rivers, founder and CEO of Presidents of Enterprising Organizations.

When times are tough, people look for new ways to support themselves and it's a good time to be creative, he said.

Mark Romoff, president and CEO of Ontario Centres of Excellence, says entrepreneurship is independent of the economic climate.

"You need entrepreneurship and entrepreneurs when things are going well as much as you need it when things are going bad," he said.

Romoff would like to see entrepreneurship become more a part of "Canada's DNA."

If you look at many of the country's greatest success stories, he said, they're completely the product of entrepreneurial spirit and entrepreneurial thinking.

In other words: "Guts and almost a disregard for the things that people say are the roadblocks to success," he said.

The road to success is generally a product of fail-

"You need entrepreneurship and entrepreneurs when things are going well as much as you need it when things are going bad."

President and CEO of Ontario Centres of Excellence Mark Romoff

ure along the way, Romoff said, and more people need to be willing to risk that failure.

Kunal Gupta, a 23-year-old University of Waterloo graduate, founder of Impact Group and president and CEO of his own mobile solutions company Polar Mobile, says the tough times ahead are just another opportunity for young entrepreneurs.

"In tough times the true winners, the true, solid companies or ideas and concepts come to the surface," he said.

While bigger companies like Yahoo! and Citibank lay off thousands of employees, young people with great ideas and tons

of enthusiasm are still going ahead and starting businesses, he said.

"As young people, we thrive on challenge," Gupta said.

Entrepreneurship, however, is risky business and in the event someone's not quite ready to strike out on their own and start their own company on a shoestring, Rivers said it pays to be entrepreneurial in the pursuit of a job.

Figure out what you're passionate about, find companies that are doing it and then figure out what you can do for them.

Pitch yourself, keep pitching and don't give up, he said.

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Pat Marston spends her workday behind the lens of her camera or at her computer, tweaking photographs using Photoshop. In that way, she's like many other professional photographers.

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The big difference: Instead of posing brides or wide-angling landscapes, she points her lens at burns, surgeries and abuse scars.

As a medical photographer with the University of Alberta Hospital for the last 27 years, Marston, 57, uses her lens when anyone at the organization needs to preserve an image.

"They page us and we ask: 'When do you need us?' and they say: 'Now.'" She photographs wounds when the dressings are down for the patient's chart and to track how they're healing. She zooms in on the scars of child abuse and rape victims. She documents medical innovations and research — this is a teaching hospital — often snapping shots in the middle of surgery. She clicks her shutter at new medical equipment for the hospital's records, and takes pictures of donors shaking hands with staff for the hospital's foundation.

Growing up in Saint John, N.B., Marston assumed she'd become a nurse until she got interested in art and photography in high school. She moved to Calgary after graduation and worked at the Holy Cross Hospital as a ward aid to save money to study photography at the Northern Alberta Institute of Technology. One day at work, she

The Lowdown

Job title: Medical photographer

Education/training: A photography diploma or degree; specialized degree from the U.K. or Europe

Best part of the job: "Doing work that has a purpose."

Worst part of the job: "The sad things: Seeing the child abuse, the accidents that were probably preventable."

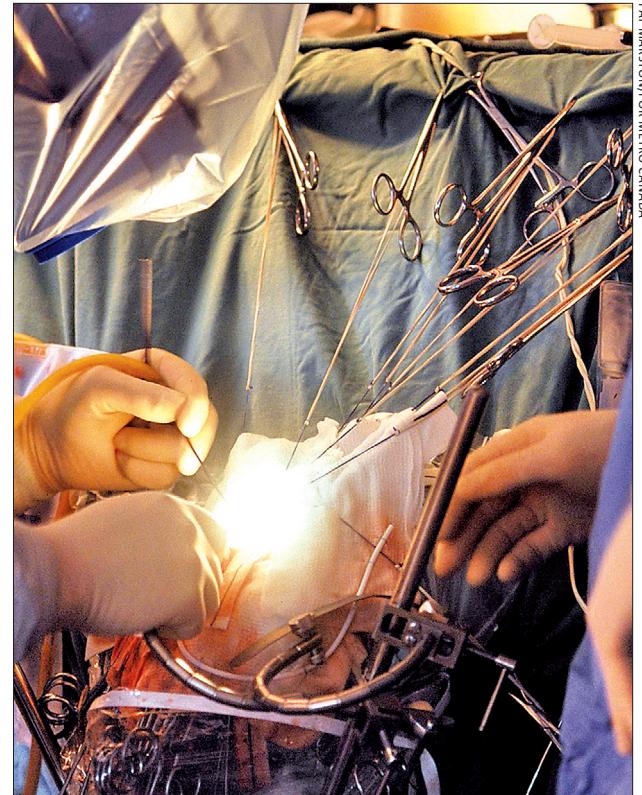
saw a guy going around the emergency room with a camera.

"I thought to myself: Perfect," she recalls. She got her diploma and worked as a summer student at the University of Alberta Hospital for two years, doing medical photography.

After graduation, she set up a photography studio with her husband outside Edmonton and waited for a job at the hospital to come up.

It finally did a few years later, in 1981, and she's been there ever since, working as part of a two-person crew.

Most days she has a scheduled shoot or two, but has no idea in the morning what she'll be photographing that day. When her pager goes off, she dashes up to the ward in question because it's at the right



A look at what's involved in neurosurgery.

point in the surgery or a burn victim has just came in.

If her lights or other equipment fails, she has to think fast to fix the problem, because she's got just minutes to make her shot. And the pictures are challenging. Some, like the gory gunshot wounds or the dying premature babies, are hard emotionally.

More often it's technically tough. "When you're shooting deep into a cavity, you have to get the right angle without touching anything. And you're standing on a stool and someone's hanging onto your shirt so you don't fall in."

Diane Peters once hawked magic pens at the Canadian National Exhibition. She's now a writer and part-time journalism instructor.

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Entertainment

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Metro Global Photo Challenge **Canadian takes prize**



TOP RIGHT: Editor-in-Chief of Metro English Canada, Dianne Rinehart presents Joel Charlebois the Nikon D700 for his winning Canadian photo entry, *Midnight Tram to Humber* (above), in the 2008 Metro Global Photo Challenge. One day later, he found out his photo beat out more than 50,000 entries from across the world to Metro newspapers, and won him a trip for two to Paris and \$2,000 CDN spending cash. Look for Joel's international interview in the next few days running in Metro newspapers around the world.

**R&B idol**

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In brief

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Pulcinella's Otto e Fungi pizza.

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Kensington is home to my next destination, Pulcinella, and its authentic Neopolitan pizza.

Pulcinella's look is contemporary and trendy. The décor is white and bright and the funky jazz music playing in the background adds a nice touch.

The restaurant is spacious, and its best feature is the large, open pizza oven that also serves as a focal point.

Pulcinella does a great

job of modernizing traditional menu items. Speaking of menu, you can probably guess that it consists of a limited assortment of pizzas along with salads and appetizers.

My pizza of choice was the Otto e Fungi (\$14.95), which was topped with tomato sauce, mozzarella, prosciutto otto (ham), mushrooms, parmesan and basil. A thin crust and the flavour imparted by the oven completed the tasty pie.

Pizza is destined for

sharing and for that reason I recommend Pulcinella for a group of co-workers or even a sociable client whom you've known for years.

However, I'd note that while one pizza may be too big for a single diner, it's likely too small for two people. Share a salad to go with your pizza and you should be fine.

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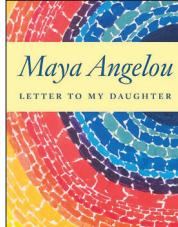
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Gabrielle Union and X-Files producer Frank Spotnitz are reteaming to develop a series for NBC in which Union will play a detective racing to save someone's life. [EW.COM](#)

Angelou's open letter to daughters everywhere

**BookPicks****Letter to My Daughter**

Author: Maya Angelou
Publisher: Random House
Price: \$28.00 (Hardcover)

Maya Angelou never had a daughter. But in *Letter to My Daughter*, her first assemblage of original writing in 10 years, she explores her own life as a daughter and imparts her knowledge and experience to daughters of the world. Angelou describes intimate autobiographical events — such as the passionless first sexual encounter during which she conceived her son — and combines them with poetry to create essays. She addresses topics like spirituality, religion, friendship and fulfillment, and even pokes fun at herself.

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GlobalStyle**Kenya Hunt**

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A driving force behind Idol

Ford seems bound and determined to keep sponsorship

HAVE YOU DRIVEN A FORD LATELY? NO, SERIOUSLY.

The imminent implosion of the U.S. car industry apparently hinges on a \$25 billion US bailout they've requested from the government, and the way public opinion is blowing, giving it to them might go down in history with the Smoot-Hawley Tariff Act and prohibition as the most unpopular piece of legislation ever.

(Don't you just love saying Smoot-Hawley? I know I do. I try to work it into conversations at least once a week.)

When they're not spending too much to make cars no one wants to buy, the big carmakers are also one of the biggest segments of the advertising market, paying for campaigns on primetime TV and in practically every magazine on the newsstands.

Ford in particular has been a major sponsor of American Idol over seven seasons of the show, creating bespoke commercials

IntelleVision**Rick McGinnis**

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for the show and branding itself all over the show's website.

I wasn't aware how much money the company had spent on its Idol partnership until I read an article last week in *Broadcasting & Cable* magazine on its dogged determination to maintain the relationship despite withering economic conditions.

Last year's Ford Idol campaign cost \$78 million, a substantial chunk of the \$328.5 million that's been spent by the company since becoming the show's main sponsor.

This year's Idol campaign was focused on the unveiling of the 2009 Ford Focus, a stolid and generally uninspiring bit of metal made to show that the company was serious about improving mileage and seriously competing with Japan, though most industry observers say that it's a bit

late.

Ford, maintaining its traditional role, is still number two in the ad-buying hierarchy, spending \$982.1 million on TV advertising last year to GM's \$1.1 billion and Chrysler's \$750 million.

Despite its commitment to Idol, Ford will probably join the other automakers next year in cutting their budgets to make it look like they're serious people who can be trusted with \$25 billion of public money — stepping up the trimming of advertising buy-ins, as well as other economies like replacing the single malt and champagne on the corporate jet with Red Bull and juice packs.

If the government bailout doesn't happen, however, Idol could find itself losing a major sponsor mid-season, as viewers tune in to find that Idol moments are being brought to you by Pizza Pops, and that the car part of the winner's prize package has been replaced by a George Foreman Grill.

Rick McGinnis writes about music, movies, books and television, but not opera.

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critics' corner**Corner Gas**

Novice musician Brent isn't happy when his guitar teacher makes him realize he's not cool and probably never will be. Wanda starts writing a column for the Howler under an assumed name. Hank takes exercise advice from Karen and winds up competing with Emma in the new episode "Rock Stars." 9:32 PM on CFCN

**Shrek the Halls**

Shrek isn't a Christmas kind of guy, but Fiona loves the holiday, so he goes along — with a little help from Donkey and the rest of the fairy-tale gang. If this special doesn't join Rudolph, Frosty and the Grinch in the pantheon of holiday classics, something's wrong with the world. 9 PM on CFCN, KXLY

My Own Worst Enemy

So, do Edward and Henry both have the same parents? 'Cause we're confused. This week Edward risks committing treason while confronting Alistair Trumbull about his parents' death. Meanwhile, not to be outdone in the separate lives category, Raymond is forced to interfere with Tom and Mary's relationship in order to clear up a potentially catastrophic accident. 9 PM on CICT: 11 PM on KHQ

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LaBeouf named a hunk
Actors Shia LaBeouf, Zac Efron and Robert Pattinson have been named among the Top 10 hunks of 2008 on a list compiled by website ETonline. FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK

Celebrity Buzz

Amy talking separation

RELATIONSHIPS Singer Amy Winehouse has reportedly met with lawyers to discuss a separation from husband Blake Fielder-Civil, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

Winehouse, who is in hospital, asked her father Mitch to organize the meeting recently, after arguing on the phone with Fielder-Civil, who was recently released from prison.

"She is finally realizing that Blake is bad for her. Amy is now taking the first steps in becoming a single woman again," a source said.

Winehouse was taken to hospital just over a week ago after suffering a seizure caused by the pre-

scription medication she is taking, her spokesman said.

"Amy and Blake had a screaming (argument)," a friend said. "She was beside herself after the call, and she just lost it. She went out and didn't stop until she was on the floor on Sunday. If she carries on, one of these incidents will be her last."

It has been claimed Fielder-Civil, who is now in rehab, is making abusive calls to Winehouse even while she is being treated in hospital. Winehouse recently told friends her marriage is beyond repair, reportedly telling one friend, "It's over. There's no way back

for us now. It was never going to last. We were only together for sex."

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Paris-Benji split upsets Nicole

GOSSIP Paris Hilton's best friend Nicole Richie is so upset by the socialite's split from Benji Madden, she's preventing him from meeting any potential new girlfriends, imbd.com reports.

The hotel heiress confirmed her breakup from the Good Char-

lotte rocker on Nov. 21, when she admitted the couple was "taking a break" after nine months together.

According to Madden's twin and bandmate Joel, who is also Richie's fiancé, Benji has been coping well with the split. But the same can't be said for Richie, who is reportedly doing

her best to keep her future brother-in-law single until he can be reunited with Hilton.

A source, who attended a recent launch party for Good Charlotte's new Greatest Remixes album, tells the New York Post's PageSix, "(Richie) has been really possessive and stops him from talking to other girls."

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Sienna back with Balthazar

RELATIONSHIPS Actress Sienna Miller and actor Balthazar Getty are back together, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

Miller, who said at an event earlier this month she was "single at the moment," was spotted walking her dogs and laughing with Getty in London recently.

"We drove past them and they looked very together," an onlooker said. Miller's love of partying is believed to have been to blame for her split from Getty.

"Sienna is only 26 and loves to go out," a source said. "At first Balthazar was excited by her beauty but eventually realized he should be back with his wife, and that Sienna represented a phase from another point in his life."

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Klum keeps teeth

CONFESION German supermodel Heidi Klum has kept every tooth she has ever lost, imbd.com reports. "I carry around a little bag of my teeth," Klum said during a recent appearance on The Tonight Show with Jay Leno.

"We don't have a tooth fairy (in Germany), so I put them in a little bag. I don't know if it's good luck, it's just a crazy thing that I do."

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Jovovich to wed Anderson

MARRIAGE Actress Milla Jovovich is preparing to walk down the aisle for the third time, with filmmaker Paul W.S. Anderson, imbd.com reports. The couple became engaged in 2003, but parted ways before reuniting and welcoming their first child, Ever Garbo Anderson, last year. And now Jovovich is ready to make their union official, despite having two failed marriages to actor Shawn Andrews and director Luc Besson behind her.

"I'd like to organize a private ceremony," she says. "I've done Las Vegas twice and I didn't want to jinx it by doing it again."

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Beckinsale to keep her clothes on

CAREER Kate Beckinsale has vowed to keep her clothes on in movies because she remembers how terrible she felt as a child when her mother bared all onscreen, imbd.com reports.

Beckinsale has no plans to put her own daughter Lily through the humiliation she suffered at the hands of cruel school pals. She was taunted when her mom Judy Loe stripped for TV in Britain, when she was 10.

"The mortification of going to school! People said, 'I've seen your mother naked,'" Beckinsale recalls. "I literally had to beat up nine of them."

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Ryder's borrowed diamonds missing

GOSSIP Actress Winona Ryder is at the centre of a new controversy after reportedly losing \$125,000 US worth of borrowed Bulgari diamonds loaned to her for an awards ceremony appearance in Spain, imbd.com reports.

Ryder had been given a diamond-encrusted bracelet and ring to wear to a Marie Claire magazine party in Madrid last week. She reported the items missing after allegedly handing them in to her hotel's front desk in an envelope to be kept in the venue's safe.

But according to

Voice magazine, the hotel bosses have not yet been able to locate surveillance footage to prove Ryder's claims—and Bulgari executives have now asked police to investigate.

A spokesperson for Ryder, who was arrested in 2001 for failing to pay for goods taken from Beverly Hills store Saks Fifth Avenue, has yet to respond to requests for comment. Bulgari representatives have refused to address the reports or confirm the disappearance of the jewels.

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Female models 'mean,' Osbourne says

OPINION Kelly Osbourne says female models are "jealous and mean," femalefirst.co.uk reports. The reality TV star claims almost all the working models she has met have been nasty and she can't stand to be around them.

"Most female models I've come

across in my life are very jealous and mean. God forbid you eat anything in front of them—they look like they want to kill you! They're just stupid," Osbourne reportedly said.

Osbourne, who recently announced her engagement to model Luke Worrell, also revealed being in a relationship with him has clouded her opinion of the industry.

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Actress alleges Farrell tried to bed her

GOSSIP Actor Colin Farrell has brushed off reports he attempted to bed a budding actress and U.S. Army reservist after meeting her at a New York club, imbd.com reports.

Sam Durrani claims she shared a cab with Farrell to her apartment following a recent night out. But she reportedly refused to succumb to his charms.

"He's very nice, but was just being a typical guy looking for sex, so I told him I wasn't interested," she tells the New

York Post.

However, a representative for Farrell has hit back at her allegations, claiming that although Farrell was present at the club on the night in question,

"He does not know Sam Durrani and does not remember ever meeting her."

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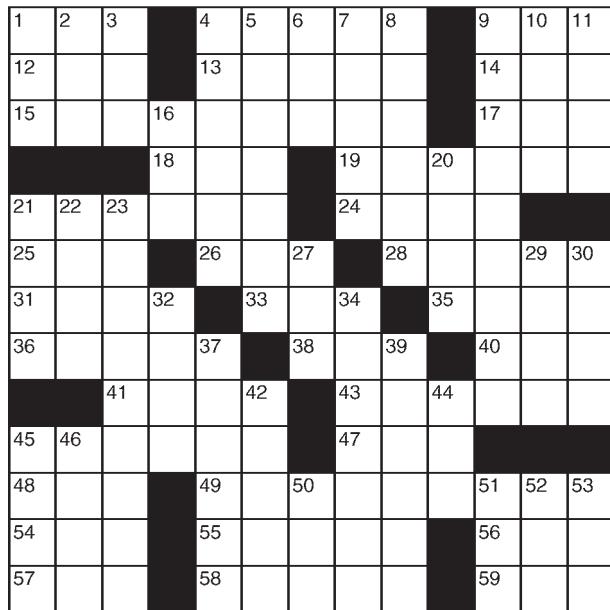
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- 2 tsp (10 mL) vegetable oil
4 trout fillets, about 6oz (170 g) each
1/4 tsp (1 mL) paprika
10 walnut halves
4 1/2 oz (125 g) arugula, watercress or mixed salad leaves

DRESSING:

- 2 scallions
A few sprigs of fresh dill or celery leaves
2 tbsp (25 mL) spiced rice vinegar or sherry vinegar
6 tbsp (90 mL) walnut oil
Salt and black pepper

fillets on top, skin sides down. Season with salt and paprika.

Grill fish for 5–8 minutes, on one side, until flesh is opaque in the centre and delicately brown at the edges.

3. While fillets are cooking, heat remaining vegetable oil in a small frying pan and gently fry walnuts, shaking and stirring constantly so that they colour but do not burn. Drain on paper towel, then chop roughly.

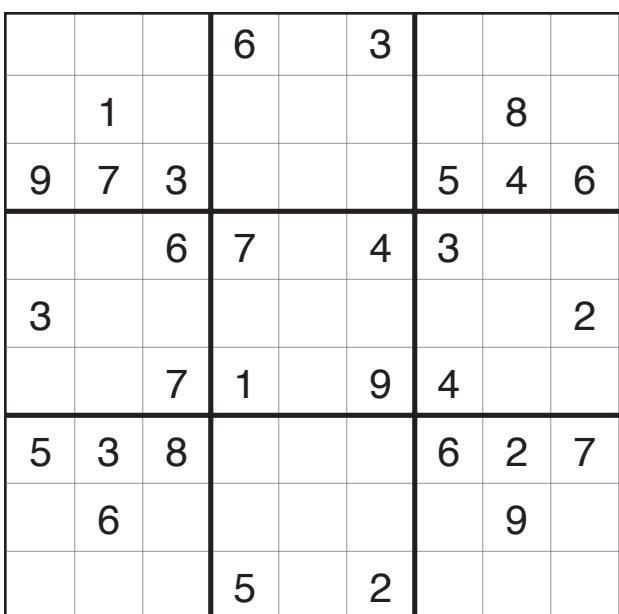
4. Rinse and dry salad leaves and arrange on four plates. Lay a fillet of trout on each. Stir dressing, spoon over fish, and scatter walnuts on top.

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Horoscopes**ARIES****MARCH 21-APRIL 20****TAURUS****APRIL 21-MAY 21**

A neglected partner could be seeking comfort elsewhere. A dream of a better relationship will come true. A dramatic friend screams for attention.

LIBRA**SEPT 23-OCT 23**

Someone's illness will upset your plans. A memory rises up and affects a relationship. Somebody you know will leave the scene too soon.

SCORPIO**OCT 24-NOV 21**

An optimistic guy will give you some hope. Be prepared to travel in an instant. Ensure that a phone bill has been paid.

GEMINI**MAY 22-JUNE 21**

Someone has an amusing request to make. Expect a slowdown on the way home. A spiritual experience results from lessons that are learned.

SAGITTARIUS**NOV 23-DEC 21**

Someone's devotion is strong and true. Don't be astounded by outrageous rules. Be kind to strangers while in transit.

CANCER**JUNE 22-JULY 22**

Expect a normally smug person to become nervous. A meeting leads to greater information sharing. Divine intervention fixes a situation.

CAPRICORN**DEC 22-JAN 20**

A friend has a temper tantrum. A career benefit isn't as certain as it should be. Don't break the spell that's cast by someone you love.

LEO**JULY 23-AUG 23**

Visit the person you love the most. Be patient with a reluctant lover. Stand on your own two feet and be responsible.

AQUARIUS**JAN 21-FEB 18**

A demanding deceiver will make concessions. Being assertive has a big pay off. It's easy to fall in love with the star of the show.

VIRGO**AUG 24-SEPT 22**

Don't take anything for granted. Hold on tight to your magnificent dreams. You may be happier in a different setting.

PISCES**FEB 19-MARCH 20**

A sentimental guy makes an impossible promise, and then breaks it. Look out the window to see a surprising event. Pay attention to a casual offer.

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